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## H. R. 320.

## FEBRUARY 7, 1825.

Read twice, and committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

## A BILL

For the Preservation and Civilization of the Indian Tribes within the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives

of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, 2 in order to provide a permanent residence westward of the 3 State of Missouri and the Territory of Arkansas, for the several tribes of Indians residing within the limits of any state 5 or territory, the President of the United States be, and he is 6 hereby, authorized to adopt such measures as he may deem 7 most expedient to extinguish the Indian title to a tract of 8 country of sufficient extent for the purpose above stated, ly-9 ing westward of the state and territory aforesaid; and that, af-10 ter the title is extinguished, he be authorized to lay off the 11 12 same, at such times, and in such manner, as he may deem 13 proper, for the several tribes of Indians for whose permanent 14 residence it is intended, and to exchange the same for lands 15 now occupied by them.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That, in order that 1 the said tribes may be induced to emigrate to their proposed 2 3 residence; and that the means now employed, or that may hereafter be employed, for their improvement and civiliza-4 tion, may have full operation, the President be, and he is 5 hereby, authorized to pledge the faith of the United States to 6 guaranty to the tribes that may agree to an exchange and 7 removal, permanent peace and protection against the intru-8 sions of white settlers, and a continuation of its friendship 9 and aid in improving their condition, and forming a system 10 of government suited to their situation. 11

1 Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause treaties to be holden 2 with the Osages, the Kanzas, or any other tribe having just 3 claims to the country for a cession of territory westward of 4 the state and territory aforesaid, for the purpose above spe-5 cified. 6

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the 1 duty of the several agents to make known to the tribe of In-2 dians to which they are agents, the views of the Government, 3 and to use all just and proper means for the attainment of 4 its object, and, under the direction of the President, and with 5 the consent of the Indians, so adopt such measures, and form 6 7 such arrangements, as may be deemed proper to effect the same, and make report of all their proceedings to the next 8 Session of Congress. 9

- SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the sum of one
- 2 hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars be, and the same is
- 3 hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any moneys in the
- 4 Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to carry the above ob-
- 5 jects into effect, and for no other object or purpose whatever.